(vii) Training of sugarcane development personnel; and

(viii) Greater participation of sugar factories in cane development.

Whole-sale centres of SAIL in Andhra Pradesh

692. SHRI PRABHAKAR RAO KALVALA: Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are considering any proposal to set up whole-sale centres of the SAIL (Steel Authority of India Limited) in Andhra Pradesh;

(b) if so, what are the places selected for the purpose and the amount allocated in this regard; and

(c) if the answer to part (a) above be in the negative, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI M. L. FOTEDAR): (a) to (c) Steel Authority of India Limited is already having stockyards at Secunderabad, Vijayawada and Vizag in Andhra Pradesh. There is no proposal to open any stockyard by SAIL in the State in view of demand considerations and the movement constraints.

Land for school in Vasant Vihar

693. SHRI K. VASUDEVA PANICKER: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to refer to the answer to the Unstarred Question 2385 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 14th August, 1987 and state:

(a) whether the land has since been allotted by the Land and Development Officer to the Municipal Corporation of Delhi for a primary school in Vasant Vihar Government Colony;

(b) if so, when;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether the Directorate of Education, Delhi Administration has also requested the L&DO to allot land for a Middle School in Vasant Vihar; and

(e) if so, by when the land is likely to be allotted to the Delhi Administration?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) No.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) The request has been received only a few months ago. The plot of land suitable for primary school has been identified after survey of the area. The matter is under further processing.

(d) and (e) This is a recent request and is under consideration.

Setting up of a news unit for AIR, Sambalpur

694. SHRI K. VASUDEVA PANICKER: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government had some time back assured the Government of Orissa to set up a separate News Unit for All India Radio, Sambalpur when the studios are completed;

(b) if so, whether the Studios have been commissioned; and

(c) if so, by when Government propose to set up a separate news unit for All India Radio, Sambalpur?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI AJIT PANJA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Studios have been commissioned at AIR Sambalpur exclusively for programme production.

(c) There is no proposal to set up a separate news unit for AIR, Sambalpur as the regional news unit functioning at AIR, Cuttack is considered sufficient to meet the requirements of Sambalpur area also.

Moratorium on loans for purchase of trawlers

695. SHRI SUBAS MOHANTY: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that some fishery associations have pleaded for

moratorium on existing loans granted to them for purchase of trawlers;

(b) whether these associations have also simultaneously pleaded for more loans and more import of large trawlers; and

(c) what steps Government propose to take to resolve this issue?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA): (a) to (c) The Association of Indian Fishery Industries, New Delhi have requested of loans given by erstwhile Shipping Development Fund Committee to fishing companies for acquisition of fishing vessels and payment of interest thereon. They have also requested for providing concessional finance for acquisition of fishing vessels.

As regards moratorium, the fishing companies which have purchased fishing vessels with Shipping Development Fund Committee loans already enjoy the moratorium of one year before commencing repayment. As regards availability of financial assistance for acquisition of fishing vessels and payment of interest thereon Company of India is making available such assistance on concessional terms.

Amount spent on houses for the landless rural labour

696. SHRI SUKOMAL SEN: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the amount allocated and spent under the Houses for the Landless Rural Labour Scheme during the last three years, year-wise and State-wise;

(b) the amount allocated and spent during the current year, State-wise;

(c) whether the allocated amount is fully borne by the Union Government; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) and (b) A statement (state-wise and year-wise) indicating amount allocated and spent under the scheme of the Allotment of House-site-cum-Construction Assistance for Rural Landless Labour during the last 3years i.e. from 1984-85 to 1986-87 and also amount allocated during the current year i.e. 1987-88 is annexed. (*See* Appendix CXLIV, Annexure No. 16]. At this stage it is not possible to indicate the actual expenditure during 1987-88.

(c) and (d) Housing being a State subject all the social housing schemes are implemented by the State Govt./ UT Admns. However, the Union Govt. only gives plan assistance in the form of block loans and grants for implementing State sector schemes to augment States' own resources.

Families benefited under the houses for Landless Rural Labours Scheme

697. SHRI MOSTAFA BIN QUASEM: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of families that have been benefited under the Houses for Landless Rural Labours Scheme during the last three years; yearwise and Statewise;

(b) whether there is any proposal to augment the allocation for this scheme;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) A statement (state-wise) indicating the number of families that have been benefited under the scheme of the Allotment of House-sites and Construction Assistance to the Rural Landless Labours during the last 3 years i.e. from 1984-85 to 1986-87, is annexed. (*See* Appendix CXLIV, Annexure No. 17]

(b) Presently there is no such proposal to augment the allocation for this scheme.